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The Season's Greetings to All Our Readers with Best Wishes for a Happy New Year

YOUTH HOSTEL TO BE OPENED DEC. 27

The first American youth, hostel—the Schell Castle, at Northfield, Mass., was formally christened December 27th, at 8 P.M., as the Richard Schirrmann youth hostel in honor of the founder of the first youth hostel in the world. The original hostel was also in a castle. Inspection of the hostel took place at 4 P.M. On the opening day and all interested persons as well as youth were invited. On the afternoon of December 28 there will be a ski demonstration and lecture by Strand Mikkelson of Greenfield, international ski champion in 1929. Persons coming to the hostel for a few days of active, healthy life, much of which will be in the outdoors, have been asked to bring winter sport equipment—skis, sleds, skates, or toboggans if possible. If there are enough cars available a party will be formed to drive up into the White Mountains. The hostel expects two kinds of guests—those who plan to spend a part of their Christmas holiday here and those who come simply to see and learn what it is about. The latter will probably stay in the vicinity overnight, but the former group will share the life and privileges of the hostel at nominal charge, cooking their own meals in the kitchen individually or in groups.

Had Rough Experience

Several young men, students at Wheaton College, started home in an old automobile last week to spend the Christmas vacation. In the number were some who were headed for their home in Northfield. All went well for a time as the old machine covered mile after mile on the highway and the boys had the vision of an early homecoming.

However in Pennsylvania the machine pounding along came to a railroad crossing where a lonely engine speeding on the tracks gave them the surprise of their lives. The brakes were applied suddenly and the large car swerved, struck a pole and careened. The boys left their car and hitch-hiked home, some days late but none the worse for their experience.

Telephone's "Santy"

The girls in the Northfield Telephone office, had a little Christmas party for four children, last Friday afternoon at four o'clock. There was a Christmas tree with practical gifts of warm clothing as well as games, toys, candy and nuts. Santa Claus was present and gave out the gifts. After the tree, ice-cream, cake and cookies were served. The following day, the gay little tree and a big basket of good things were delivered to a sick and aged couple outside the village.

This was but one of hundreds of similar parties held all over New England for needy children and for families hit by the depression. Good substantial clothing was the main consideration, but dolls, games, books and sweets were not forgotten. In this way, thousands of children shared with their more fortunate companions in the celebration of Christmas. These parties, while held with the distinct approval and splendid assistance of the Telephone Co. officials, are supported entirely by the voluntary gifts of the employees. Candy and toys in some cases were donated by local stores, but the shoes and clothing were purchased directly from the factories and were made to order.

Drove Unregistered Car

State Patrolmen, Keating and Murphy chanced to come upon two young men in Northfield last Sunday making some repairs to their car alongside of the road. It was discovered that the car was unregistered but bore plates transferred from another car. The young men were from Dover, N. H. and they said they were on their way to Pennsylvania to spend Christmas tide.

They were arrested and their case heard in the District Court Monday morning. They pleaded guilty but upon recommendation of Patrolman Keating Judge Hayes filed the cases. Keating said a check in Dover revealed the boys were both of good character and reputation and are employed.

Tree Felled Him

While cutting down an old tree at South Vernon Christmas Day Mr. C. M. George was seriously injured. The tree fell suddenly upon him while cutting and unable to get away in time it struck him a hard blow on the side of the head.

Dr. Wright was summoned to attend to his injuries. Mr. George is in the employ of the Boston and Maine R. R. in its yard crew.

Northfield Has Increased Red Cross Receipts

The Red Cross campaign in Northfield has been completed and the results as reported by Mr. A. G. Moody the Chairman states that a total of \$401 was received. Prof. Roy Hatch reports a total of \$94.21 for Mount Hermon.

Towns which exceeded last year were Greenfield with \$2620.17 against \$2425 in 1933; Northfield, which solicited \$401 against \$245 a year ago; Shelburne Falls, which received \$346 against \$272; Deerfield, \$540 against \$502 a year ago; Sunderland \$103 against \$76 in 1933; Whately \$90 against \$60 in 1933.

County Chairman John W. Haigis is much pleased with the reports.

The complete results from the county: Ashfield, Mrs. E. B. Currie, chairman, \$173; Bernardston, Mrs. Paul Shores, \$78.99; Charlemont, \$172.52; Colrain, Mrs. Raymond Nichols, \$92; Conway, Mrs. Leon Germain, \$55.93; Deerfield, Mrs. Anne Page, \$540.30; Erving, Mrs. Leon Starkey, \$51; Farley, Mrs. Charles Smith, \$7; Gill, Mrs. C. E. Gordon, \$9.10; Greenfield, Arthur Gibson and Mrs. George U. Hatch, \$2620.17; Hawley, Mrs. Melvin White, \$12; Leverett, Mrs. Julian Rice, \$38.25; Leyden, Mrs. H. W. Severance, \$81.50; Millers Falls, Mrs. C. H. M. Partridge, \$66.65; Mount Hermon, Prof. Roy M. Hatch, \$94.21; Monroe, Mrs. Harry Turcotte, \$40; Montague, Mrs. R. L. Morse, \$84.25; Moores Corner and North Leverett, \$18.25; New Salem and Millington, Mrs. Alison G. Marshall, \$42.70; Northfield, A. G. Moody, \$410.34; Orange, Marshall S. Buell, \$470.40; Riverside, Miss Gladys Pearce, \$5; Rowe, Charles Newell, \$32; Shelburne, Forrest Truesdell, \$68.50; Shelburne Falls, \$346.50; Buckland, Miss Lena C. Wiley, \$45.50; Shutesbury, Nathan Hunting, \$17; South Deerfield, Timothy Kelleher, \$134.65; Sunderland, Burton J. Goodyear, \$103.60; Turners Falls, C. W. Higginbotham, \$893.86; Warwick, Mrs. Clara Chatterton, \$24; Wendell, Mrs. Clesson Wyman, \$4; Whately, Mrs. Jessie P. White, \$90.20.

Chickens Taken—Found

"'Twas the night before Christmas" and visions of a chicken or two in the pot on Christmas day at South Vernon prompted W. A. Reynolds to enter the coop of H. L. LaPlante on Monday evening about nine o'clock. Neighbors heard the breaking of glass and heard the commotion giving the alarm.

Deputy Sheriff Darby was notified who with State Police were soon on the job and in quick time, only an hour or so had elapsed, the chickens were confiscated in the home of one of his friends being duly prepared for the prospective feast.

Reynolds was arrested and placed in jail not being able to furnish bail and on Wednesday morning in District Court he entered a plea of guilty. He was given a suspended sentence of thirty days and will think over the matter again before he contemplates raiding a "coop" for his bachelor Christmas dinner.

Fortnightly Corner

The next meeting of the Fortnightly Club is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 4th and will be held at Alexander Hall. It was to be the President's afternoon but owing to illness of the President, Rev. Mary Andrews Conner, Miss Busch of the Northfield Seminary staff will speak instead on the appreciation of art.

Carols By Choir

The choir of the Congregational Church gave a Christmas program last Sunday afternoon in the church which consisted of hymns, carols, solos and anthems. The music was appreciated by the large audience present.

The choir under the direction of Prof. Lawrence made a most favorable impression and their entrance in processional formation attired in the new gowns added to the solemnity of the occasion.

County Deer Shot

It is now presumed that all reports of deer shot in the state during the recent hunting season have been made. Director Raymond Kenney of the Division of Fisheries and Game states that a total of 1217 deer were shot during the open week.

As usual, Berkshire County led all the rest in the number of deer brought down. In that area, the best deer country in the state, nearly twice as many were killed as in any other county, 415 being the figure. In the adjoining county of Franklin, 221 were reported; 210 in Hampden, and 116 in Hampshire Counties, respectively.

A Fine Book Worth "The Having"

The Rev. Charles C. Conner has witnessed his new book "In The Living Way" come from the press during these past few days and the Editor of the Herald has been privileged to read its contents and absorb some of its inspiration. It is a book of thoughtful thinking and in its divisions of nature, life, ethics and literature awakens the mind to careful thinking and clears the atmosphere of much that is hazy. Much credit is due the author for this valuable book one of four which has come from his pen. The book is published by the Driftwood Press of Montpelier, Vermont.

Railroad To Eliminate Hale's Crossing

The elimination of dangerous grade crossings in Franklin County seems about to be accomplished according to word received from Boston which states that federal appropriations will be available for Hale's Crossing in Bernardston. The Hale's Crossing elimination plan is 18th on the list and the appropriation named is \$180,000.

Northfield people will be glad to learn of this intention as the crossing has proved to be very dangerous in the past and should have been eliminated long ago.

It is not known when the work will begin. The money is to come from the federal fund allocated to this state for public improvements.

Northfield A. A. Basketball Team

At the fall meeting of the Northfield Athletic Association it was voted to sponsor a basketball team this winter.

So much interest was shown along basketball lines that two teams were formed, and at present both teams have seen action.

Even though handicapped by the lack of practice due to the fact that there is no available hall in town, the boys have been taking advantage of the generosity of Mount Hermon School in the use of their gymnasium once a week.

At present the first team has lost four straight games, but three of these were to undefeated teams in the respective sections. The second team won their first and only game thus far against Bernardston Second team. Some of the teams played already are Charlemont Mohawks; Bernardston; Greenfield Tap & Die; and the fast Trojan Club of Athol Y.M.C.A.

All games are played away from town, and although no alibis are given, the team wishes it had a court here in Northfield.

Much credit has already been given Northfield for their sportsmanship and clean playing in this fast and exciting game of basketball.

Many games are on the schedule and the townspeople are invited to follow the team to these games.

OBITUARY

Elsie (Newton) Rawles

Elsie (Newton) Rawles, 42, wife of John R. Rawles of 29 Maynard Street, Springfield, died Friday night December 22nd after a long illness. She was born at East Northfield on June 19, 1892, the daughter of Alonzo A. and Elizabeth Richardson Newton, but had made her home in Springfield, Mass. for several years. She attended Northfield Seminary. Mrs. Rawles was a member of Christ Church Cathedral and treasurer of the Guild of St. Elizabeth, Springfield. Besides her husband she leaves 2 children, Elizabeth M., and Robert John, at home; three brothers, Paul A. Newton of Springfield, Carl R. Newton of Texas and Alonzo A. Newton of Cleveland, Ohio; also, two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Martin of Springfield and Mrs. Percy G. Tyler of Cartland, N. Y. The funeral was held at Christ Church Cathedral, Springfield, Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock with Dean Percy T. Edrop officiating.

Jennie Morgan Nichols

Mrs. Jennie Morgan Nichols, widow, of South Vernon died Saturday, December 22nd after a long illness. She leaves a son R. L. Nichols of Reading, Mass. The funeral service was held at the South Vernon home Wednesday afternoon. The body was entombed at South Vernon and burial will be at Medford, Mass. later.

The Massachusetts Selectmen's Association has issued a call for the Annual Meeting and a joint conference of all County Associations at the Gardner Auditorium at the State House in Boston Friday an 8th Saturday January 4th and 5th. The Northfield Selectmen have been notified to attend.

Decorations About Town Xmas Spirit Everywhere

The pilgrim on our streets on Christmas eve could find evidence of good cheer everywhere in Northfield. Homes were lighted, decorated Christmas trees were in evidence and "greens and garlands" decorated the houses both inside and out. It seemed as if everyone were happy and those whom one met on the highway seemed to say "Cheerio" as they passed by.

Young people especially were to be seen everywhere and one was quite sure many parties were being held. Skating seemed to be the pleasure of many.

Hurrying about, the beautiful lighted trees on the Seminary campus and at Northfield Hotel are a delight to behold. Other trees are on the lawn at Sam Walker's, Valley Vista Inn, and especially the two at the Electric Light Station on Parker Street.

The residence of Dr. Wright with its lighted trees and illuminations are very attractive. The homes of the Misses Hamilton, Mrs. Long, Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore, Mr. and Mrs. Montague, Mr. and Mrs. Vorce, Mr. and Mrs. Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holton, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Smith, Mrs. Kendrick, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Barr, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt, Mr. and Mrs. Pearsall, Miss Munde, and many others too numerous to recall. All were very gay and bright indeed with lights.

Spencer's Garage was also very festive with colored lights.

Appreciation

The recent illness of Rev. Mary Andrews Conner has brought to her many expressions of sympathy and the Editor is asked to publicly express for her thanks and appreciation for the same. She says: "I have been touched by the many expressions of friendship and love which have come to me during my illness. I am grateful to the dear people of Northfield in the churches, from Fortnightly Club members and from the young people of the town. All these expressions of human understanding and sympathy have shot pain through and through with healing power and I am humbly thankful."

F.H.A. Bank Loans

Banks of Franklin County have co-operated with the federal government in the federal housing administration projects according to announcement made from Washington. The records of these banks at the close of business on December 7 are as follows:—Orange National Bank, Orange, one loan for \$344.94; Crocker National Bank, Turners Falls, 10 loans for \$4,187; First National Bank and Trust Co., Greenfield, seven loans for \$4,675; Franklin County Trust Co., Greenfield, nine loans for \$3,879.90.

That Soldier Bonus

Massachusetts would obtain \$83,147,947.57 if Congress should adopt the proposal for immediate payment of the adjusted service certificates, commonly called the "bonus."

Figures prepared by Representative Wright of Patman of Texas, declared by officials of the veterans' administration in Washington to be approximately correct, show that the distribution by counties in Western Massachusetts would be as follows:—

Berkshire, \$2,361,616.20; Franklin, \$970,708.40; Hampden, \$6,564,314.74; Hampshire, \$1,424,424.37; and Worcester, \$9,611,640.98.

The exact figures by towns is not exactly known but Northfield's share would be proportionate to its enlistments.

South Church Notes

Rev. Mary Andrews Conner Minister

After Christmas and now a steady strong pull toward the church's best work toward the Easter time: every one in his place, on time every Sunday. 9.45 A.M. Church School, 10.45 A.M. Church Worship with Rev. W. W. Coe preaching his message.

At Our Library

The Woman's Education Association of Lancaster, Mass is loaning to Dickinson Library a set of seventy-one colored pictures of wild flowers of spring and early summer. These will be displayed in the Reading Room of the Library for one month beginning January 6th.

Fifteen hundred brown trout were liberated in the waters of Millers River last week just above the dam of the Union Twist Drill Co. in Athol by Game Warden Lovejoy of Orange.

Were Married Saturday Churchill—Sawyer

A quiet wedding took place on the evening of Saturday December 22nd, at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Winston B. Churchill of Warwick Avenue when Miss Bernice Sawyer and Mr. Aubrey B. Churchill were united in marriage by Rev. W. Stanley Carne, the double ring service being used.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sawyer of Bakersfield Vermont, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Churchill, also of that town. They were attended by Miss Minnie Jurkowski, as bridesmaid, and Mr. Winston B. Churchill, brother of the groom, as best man. After a short visit to relatives and friends in Bakersfield, Vt. They will make their home on Warwick Ave.

What Is Your Income How Are You Taxed

The Internal Revenue Department released last week a statement for the year 1933 which shows that \$10,845,653,532 was raised for the government while in 1932 the amount was \$10,845,653,532. The number of individual returns for 1933 were 3,660,105 while in 1932 some 3,700,402 reported.

The figures published at the internal revenue bureau gave the following distribution of incomes: 1933
Up to \$5000.....\$ 3,339,602
\$5000 to \$10,000..... 34,129,000
\$10,000 to \$25,000..... 74,626
\$25,000 to \$50,000..... 18,168
\$50,000 to \$100,000..... 5,927
\$100,000 to \$150,000..... 1,085
\$150,000 to \$300,000..... 693
\$300,000 to \$500,000..... 139
\$500,000 to \$1,000,000..... 84
Over \$1,000,000..... 46

The tax paid by these various categories follows:— 1933
Up to \$5000.....\$39,700,000
\$5000 to \$10,000.....22,370,000
\$10,000 to \$25,000.....54,255,000
\$25,000 to \$50,000.....51,597,000
\$50,000 to \$100,000.....56,561,000
\$100,000 to \$150,000.....30,450,000
\$150,000 to \$300,000.....40,473,000
\$300,000 to \$500,000.....17,580,000
\$500,000 to \$1,000,000.....22,370,000
Over \$1,000,000.....25,848,000

No figures are available which show the number of returns from Northfield nor the amount raised here.

Locals

Many in Northfield will be interested in the news that Mount Holyoke College would like to increase its maximum of personal and real estate holdings from ten million dollars to fifteen million dollars. A bill has been accordingly so filed in the State Legislature for its consideration.

The home of Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Wright looks very attractive at this holiday time with the two lighted Christmas trees on each side of the home in the sun parlors.

Have you seen the beautiful lighted trees at the sub-station of the Electric Light Co. on Parker Street? They are well worth seeing.

The twenty-fifth Annual Winter Carnival of Dartmouth College will be held at Hanover February 8th and 9th. Hundreds of feminine guests will probably arrange to attend, some from Northfield.

The High School will re-open after the Christmas vacation on Wednesday January second.

The snow removal map for the winter season issued by the State Department of Public Works has been received at the Herald Office where it may be seen by any one interested.

It is reported that the Christmas Seal sale in Franklin County has reached the sum of \$2600 which is about the same as last year.

One of the severest days last winter was February 23rd when Miss Helen Bush of the Seminary faculty gave a program of various art expressions. The few ladies who were privileged to be there, wished that they might hear the program repeated, and that all the Fortnightly members might hear it. Miss Bush has consented most graciously to appear again before the Fortnightly Friday January 4.

Persons in Northfield who do a banking business and make payments by check will be glad to learn that the Federal tax on checks expires January 1st, 1935. Congress repealed the tax in the Revenue Bill of 1934. While there has been some suggestion that the tax be renewed, there is no definite indication that this will be done. Should the law be re-enacted, it is hardly possible that this could be accomplished immediately after January 1 when the new Congress convenes.

The President's Ball Tickets To Be Issued

Preparations are now going on for the President's Birthday Ball in Town Hall Wednesday evening January 30th. Chairman John Bennett will soon announce the names of the General Committee. Miss Mildred Addison will act as Treasurer. Mr. and Mrs. John T. Callaghan will lead the Grand March. It is hoped to announce the orchestra next week.

More than 5000 celebrations are planned by Col. Henry L. Doherty, Chairman of the Committee, for the raising of funds to be used for giving medical and orthopedic treatment to thousands of victims of infantile paralysis in every state.

Last year, funds collected at balls over the nation on the President's birthday, January 30, were used for an endowment of the infantile paralysis center at Warm Springs, Va.

Among those accepting places on Col. Doherty's Committee are Gen. John J. Pershing, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, Vincent Astor, Will Rogers, William Randolph Hearst, Howard Chandler Christy, Gen. W. W. Atterbury, Edsel Ford, Bernard S. Baruch, Adolph S. Ochs, Col. Robert R. McCormick, Henry Morgenthau, Harvey S. Firestone, Col. Edward M. House, Booth Tarkington and Bob-Jones.

At the President's own suggestion, which is also the recommendation of the Trustees of the Foundation, no part of this year's proceeds will go to the Foundation. Seventy percent of the proceeds raised by each local Birthday Ball will be retained in its respective geographical area, under the direction of a committee of each such area, to rehabilitate its infantile paralysis victims. The balance will go to the National Committee for delivery to the President, to be presented to a national commission, which he will create, to widen research efforts aimed to wipe out the disease itself, exactly as medical science has successfully combated smallpox, diphtheria, typhoid fever, yellow fever and other maladies.

Trinitarian Church

Sunday School will meet at ten o'clock.

Preaching Service at eleven o'clock. Special anthems will be rendered by the choir, under the direction of Professor Lawrence. The subject of the sermon will be, "The God of Bethel."

The Senior Endeavor will meet at seven o'clock. Wheaton students will lead.

Preaching service at eight o'clock, subject, "Looking in the Right Direction." The young men from Wheaton will have charge.

Sunday School at No. Three, at two-thirty.

Preaching service at the Farms at seven o'clock.

Monday, Watch-night Service at ten o'clock, in the young people's room.

Tuesday afternoon service in the Barber District, at the home of Mrs. Mitchell.

Thursday all-day meeting of the Sewing Society, with lunch at noon. Workers will bring scissors and brush for repair work on hymn books. Prayer service at seven-thirty, followed by the choir rehearsal.

Friday evening the Auxiliary will meet with the Misses Made and Amy Hamilton at seven forty-five.

A week of Prayer will be observed from the sixth to the thirtieth.

Locals

A new sign has been placed at the side of Town Hall at the Fire Station exit which requests no parking. Autoists stopping at the Town Hall or going to the Post-office should see that their car does not obstruct the passage-way.

Both Postoffices report a large volume of mail over the last week previous in the same holiday period.

The Wawa Club whose members are in Town during the holiday season plan several social affairs. They are to have a winter breakfast in the woods and several house parties.

Mr. Henry Donohue has recently sold his store and business at Millers Falls and will remove from Northfield Farms to make his home with his sister at Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Taggart, the man from Vermont, who by the way is a graduate of Hermon many years ago, gave a most delightful and entertaining program of music on the piano and violin, with character impersonations at the Northfield Hotel Wednesday evening. The program was very much enjoyed.

Mr. Robert Hartman of Brooklyn is spending the holidays as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt.

His Auto Bumped Girl Slightly Cut

Last Sunday morning while Vernon Hurlbut, local Manager of the A & P Store was on his way to church with his wife, he stopped to pick up a friend who was walking when a car from Connecticut containing a Mr. Carroll Rice and his young daughter crashed into the rear of Mr. Hurlbut's car. Both cars were badly damaged and the Rice car was taken to Spencer's for repairs. The force of the impact threw the little girl from her seat against the cowl and badly cut her chin which required attention by Dr. Wright to whose home she was taken. Later friends from Keene arrived and took Mr. Rice and his daughter to Keene the destination of their journey.

Personals

Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Jones spent last Sunday at Braintree, Mass. with their son Walter and his wife. Their grand daughter, Barbara Ann was christened Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Symonds of Highland Ave. left Northfield last Friday to spend the winter in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doolittle have returned from a trip south to Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Kellogg are now nicely situated at St. Petersburg, Florida. They report a fine trip down but arrived during a spell of cool weather. They send the season's greeting to all their friends.

State Patrolman and Mrs. Norman Pelletier have taken the apartment in the Proctor Block over the store of Mr. Fred Irish.

Many friends in town received cards of Christmas greetings from Mrs. E. Gertrude Miller formerly a summer resident here and a local tax-payer who now lives in the interior of Guatemala, Central America. The card beside its greeting bore a photograph of an ancient Indian altar which is located near her home.

Miss Mary Breinig is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gingers for her vacation from Mass. State College.

Mrs. W. P. Stanley and her daughters have returned to Northfield for the holiday vacation and opened their home on Highland Avenue.

Richard Buffum is at his home for the holidays from Wheaton College.

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Coe spent Christmas with their daughter Mildred in New York.

Mr. Edward C. Morgan is home from his studies and spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Young of Springfield spent last Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson.

Mr. William Ross is reported as very sick at the Maples.

Miss Herron, our local nurse spent Christmas at her home at Leyden.

Mrs. Eugene Williams was operated on for appendicitis at Brattleboro Memorial Hospital by Dr. Anderson and Dr. Wright last week and is reported as getting along nicely.

Mr. Sam Smith is recovering from an attack of the grip at his home on Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hyde entertained over the Christmas tide, her mother Mrs. Hall of Hartford, Conn., and her brother from New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence White of Boston spent Christmas with her parents Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright. Mr. White had to return to Boston Sunday night for an engagement with the Boston Symphony Orchestra but Mrs. White will remain for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith and their family are visiting his mother Mrs. N. Fay Smith on Birnam Rd. over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Peck of San Pedro, San Marcos, Guatemala announce the arrival of a little daughter, Dorothy Jean, on December 5th. Both Mr. and Mrs. Peck have many friends in Northfield.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dunnell and party are reported to be at Orlando, Florida for a few days before resuming their trip.

Mr. Robert Carr son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carr is spending the holidays at his home.

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EDITORIAL

Christmas entertainments—how the children enjoy them! What is it that makes their little entertainments so splendid? Their stage fright helps a little. The sea of heads in the audience confuses them and gives them stage fright, but whether they make perfect orations, or fall in the attempt, their baby faces creep into the hearts of the people and makes them glad.

So if they distinguish themselves in their recitations we love them, if they break down, we love them in their discomfiture. This is how the matter stands, and no mother need be ashamed of her boy because he fails in his "piece."

"When earth's last picture is painted and the tubes are twisted and dried," as Kipling says, the country newspaper editor, otherwise known as the small-town editor, is going to be glorified. He is going to have reserved seats in the golden city and be blazoned in light against the Jasper walls of heaven. "Earth's Moulders of Character," says the Ingleswood (Cal.) Gazette.

Fifth and dirt find very little space in the small-town newspaper. Here we find constructive thought put into print, fit for the boy or girl to read. This editor is an unassuming man, generally a mild-mannered man. He is wise in the ways of the world; more frequently than otherwise he is a family man. His family consists of one wife and maybe several boys and girls. He gains a true perspective of life through watching the pitfalls of others. He burns the midnight oil in an earnest endeavor to solve the problems of his community. He must of necessity be a veritable Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde; acquiring many roles as he mingles with churchmen and politicians, honest men and crooks. You might meet him in church or at the show, his mission is for a given purpose. In the archives of his brain are collected all manner and sorts of information. This brain acts like a sieve, filtering out all the filth and dirt and rendering to the community wholesome and constructive thought.

Yes, the small-town editor is one of the nation's greatest assets, playing many parts in the affairs of men and fools, but to see the real man, you must meet him in his back garden on a Saturday afternoon, unshaven, with a hoe in his hands, and dressed like a hobo, when like Puck he will say: "Oh what fools we mortals be."

The Athol Transcript says that: "Public Works Commissioner Frank E. Lyman makes the novel suggestion that there be a compulsory speed limit on automobiles by means of a governor on the car. In other words, make it impossible to travel more than 50 miles an hour in any car. While this probably would reduce automobile fatalities, and almost anything that will reduce fatalities is to be commended, Commissioner Lyman possibly has made a suggestion that will not be accepted, since even legislators drive automobiles.

Limitations of speeds of 50 miles an hour may come, however, whether by governors installed in automobiles or by policemen keeping tabs on all the roads. Indeed, the necessity for police checking would remain, even with the governor, since occasional motorists would smash their speed-controlling equipment, or detach it. So it may be that a legal limitation would serve as well as any mechanical limitation.

At present, the legal limitation is 30 miles an hour—a rule putting the burden of proof upon any driver found in excess of that speed and charged with recklessness. Perhaps one day the state will establish an absolute speed limit, with mandatory penalties for exceeding it, and leaving the police no choice but the arrest of everybody who does exceed it."

We are in hearty accord with this expression.

Looking Forward

Only a few more days before the New Year, 1934 with its joys and griefs, its brief hours of happiness and the changes that have come to most of us, will soon be a thing of yesterday. Some of the gifts it has brought have been unwanted, many of the days have been dark, but for the most part, it has been just what we have made it. Twelve months ago we started with a clean sheet and now the record of the minutes and hours of a whole year, stares us in the face, and there is much that we would forget or erase. Not alone are we confronted by our deeds, both good and bad, but the subtle imprint of our personalities are pressed into the crumpled pages. And it does not stop here. How often we have been forced to watch the ugly blot that we tried in vain to stem, spread until it has smudged the white pages of our neighbor. How often has the shadow of our own misdeeds darkened

the sun for those we love best. No man lives for himself alone. We hold in our hands the power not just to make or mar our own lives, but that of our brother as well. Life is a complex thing and each single individual, whether it be plant, insect or man, is but a part of a whole plan. We live for and in our neighbor as much as for ourselves. Cain's defiant answer to God, "Am I my brother's keeper?" was but the uneasy bluff of a cornered man who knew that he had broken Nature's law. There is no choice in the matter of responsibility. These few years have taught us that, if nothing else. We have found out that we need our neighbor and he needs us. We have found out that no part in life can be wounded or broken without damaging the whole. That no individual can suffer want without that hunger reaching out and scaring the highest in the land. We have found out that our happiness ebbs and flows with the tides of living needs and plenty.

I cannot help but feel that these years of struggle and depression, have enriched our lives far more than we now dream. People everywhere are reaching out toward the bigger things. The mad stampede for wealth has been halted and the finer things of the spirit are closer to us than ever before. Tangible possessions are but the tools loaned us to work with and we were in danger of setting them up in our Holy of Holies. We enter the world with empty hands and empty we leave it except for the unseen treasures that lie within the reach of us all. The real things of life, the true things, go on with us to a new day. But even here, it is only that which we have given, that we can hold. These years have been years of opportunity and only we ourselves can truly tell if we have used them to the best advantage. The Old Year is almost gone, we cannot undo or atone. But the New Year stretches before us as yet white and unstained. It can be a year lost, or one of achievement. It can slip away into the past unremembered and unsung or it can be a milestone in our lives. It rests with us as to whether it is just another twelve months of frittered time or a year that we can give back to God without shame. A portion of the eternal day of the All-Father is in our keeping, what are we going to do with it?

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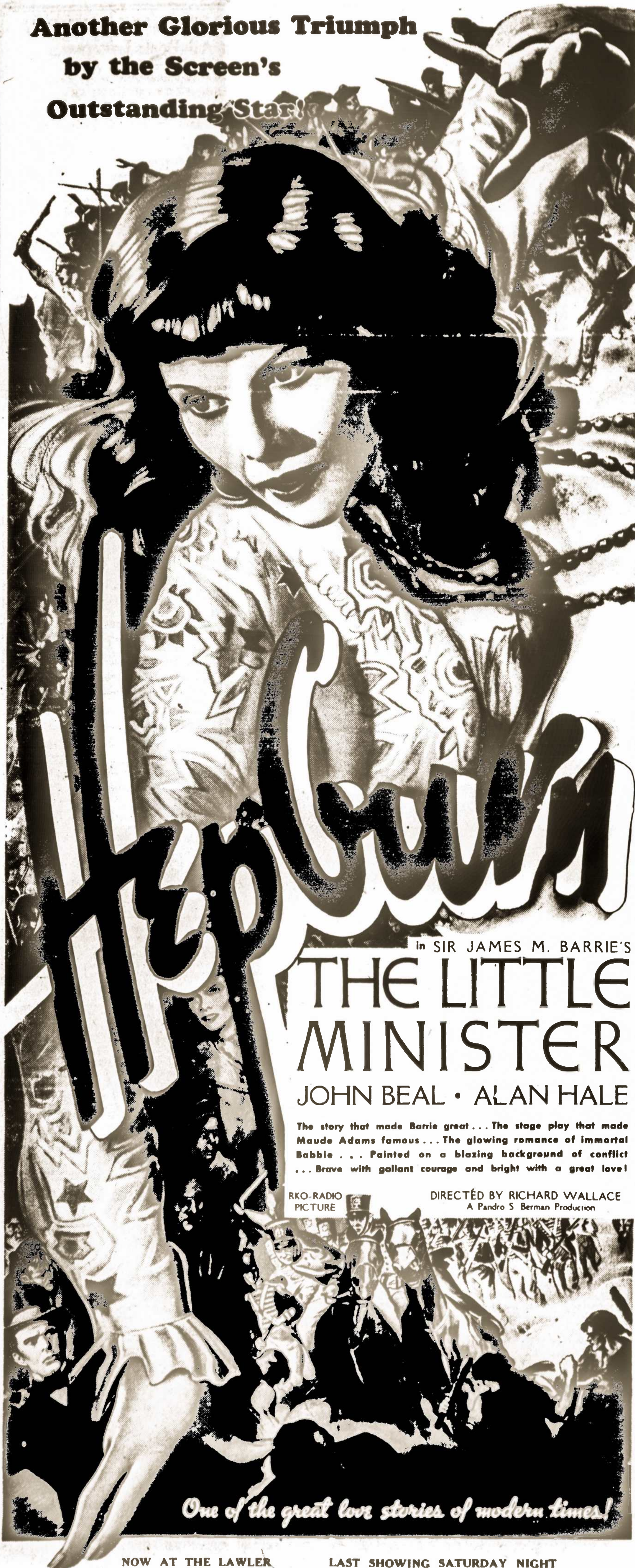
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South Vernon

Until twenty five years ago the twenty-ninth of this month there was no church in the little community of South Vernon, although for some time previous, evening meetings and Sunday School classes had been held in a hall in what is now the Vernon Home.

In commemoration of the anniversary of the dedication of the church it is planned to hold special service next Sunday, Dec. 30th, both morning and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Rev. Geo. E. Tyler whose first interest in the organization was as a member at the Vernon Chapel, and later, as a pastor for several years at South Vernon will bring a historical message at the morning service. Several speakers are expected to take part in the evening at 7:30 P.M. including Rev. F. H. Leavitt who was the pastor here for nearly seven years, also representatives from Mt. Hermon and East Northfield. Special music will be rendered.

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A good crowd enjoyed the Christmas Concert given at the South Vernon Church, Monday evening. Songs and recitations were given by the children of the Sunday School with appropriate music by the choir in the form of a duet by Misses Ginnie Edson and Nina Gray—the South Vernon Quartette vocal solo by Courtland Dunklee. The choir director Rev. Geo. A. Gray had the audience sing a number of songs. The program was announced by A. A. Dunklee. Santa distributed gifts.

Rev. Owen R. Washburn, who preached his first sermon in the church at Vernon forty-three years ago, will preach there again next Sunday, in the absence of Rev. Mr. Jones, who will be in New York.

Miss Margaret Johnson of Guilford is enjoying the Christmas holidays at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Johnson.

Percy Tyler from New York spent Christmas at home with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Geo. E. Tyler.

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